

## STOWE

Mrs. Carroll Pike of Burlington has joined Mr. Pike at their farm here.

H. A. Smalley and K. C. Robinson of Morrisville were in Stowe Thursday.

W. W. Thomas and Carroll Taylor have returned to Morrisville after several days in town.

A gift of several volumes of fiction from Miss Mary Bigelow of Salem, Mass., has been received at the Stowe Free Library.

Mrs. Hannah Taylor of Morrisville who is stopping here with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Dexter, attended the W. R. C. convention.

Henry Drugg of Proctor, who was here recently was accompanied to Burlington by his mother, Mrs. Malinda Drugg, who is visiting friends there.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Pike and Mrs. E. W. Tinkham went Thursday to McIndoes Falls to attend the funeral of Mr. Pike's cousin, Carroll Edgerton.

The Misses Alice and Glendora Nutting have returned from Bridgeport, Conn. where they have passed the winter visiting friends in Boston and vicinity on their way home.

Carroll M. Elise, who recently purchased the A. H. Slayton farm of R. B. Harris, has sold the herd of cows on the farm and will build up a herd of registered Guernseys.

Mrs. H. C. McMahon entertained several ladies at tea Wednesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Sam Abbott of Decatur, Ill., who is a guest at the home of Major and Mrs. D. F. Smith.

E. C. Wells, who has carried on a blacksmithing business in J. R. Wells' shop the past year and purchased the stock and business of F. E. Bailey, has rented Mr. Bailey's shop, taking possession last week Wednesday.

The very amusing play, "Deacon Dubb," was given Tuesday evening of last week to a good house at the Akeley Memorial building by the members of the Lamolite Grange of Morrisville. The parts were well taken and carried out.

Horace Tucker of Chicopee Falls, Mass., who is employed on the Mt. Mansfield road was accompanied to Stowe by Mrs. Tucker, who was formerly Miss Verma Kaiser of Stowe. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker are making their home with Mrs. Faunce.

Mrs. Fanny Mayo has received news that her granddaughter, Miss Ramona Downer, not yet 16, has won the rank of salutatorian in a class of 296 in the high school at Schenectady, N. Y. Miss Downer, who is the daughter of John M., and Lillie Mayo Downer, both graduates of Stowe high school, also plays the violin in a grand opera.

The demonstration concert given Wednesday evening at the Akeley Memorial building by Bailey's Music Rooms of Burlington was well attended and much enjoyed. The program included a violin solo by W. P. Walker, tenor solo by C. W. Ross and bass solo by H. R. Gallup of Burlington, accompanied by Miss Mildred McMahon, and selections on the new Edison diamond disc. Following the concert Bailey's orchestra of five pieces furnished music for dancing.

Mrs. C. J. Strand gave a card party at her home on Tuesday evening of last week to 20 young ladies including the teachers of the Stowe high and graded schools and other friends. The rooms were prettily decorated with apple blossoms, lilacs and narcissus. After a ring at the door bell during the evening little Miss Sylvia Strand brought a basket of gifts to Miss Margaret Keefe, the gifts being a "miscellaneous shower" from those present. Refreshments of cake, ice cream and coffee were served by the Misses Derby, Johnson, McDonough and Southard, assisting. Miss Keefe, who has been a successful teacher in Stowe high school for three years will be married after school closes to George H. Ayers of Stowe.

An interesting relic that has been placed in the Soldiers' Memorial hall by L. C. Camp is a record of the first militia company formed in Stowe. The record states that on "October 25, 1803, the inhabitants of Stowe met to make choice of militia officers" and elected John Seabury, captain; Daniel Moody, lieutenant; Daniel Lathrop, ensign; Thomas Akeley, Elias Bingham, Amasa Marshall and Caleb Marshall, sergeants; Noah Hayden, Ira Kimball, Daniel Moody, Samuel Paine, corporals. Attest, Thomas Akeley, sergeant. The company was called The Floodwood and some of its members were among those who went from Stowe to take part in the Battle of Plattsburgh. The record was kept until the disbanding of the company in 1848 and was left to Mr. Camp by his grandfather, the late Rev. Camp.

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By WILLIAM A. RADFORD.

Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST of all subjects pertaining to the subject of building work on the farm, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 1827 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only inclose two-cent stamp for reply.

On many farms the dairy herd is not large enough to demand a separate barn; in that case a general purpose barn is used. In fact on most small farms this is the most convenient and efficient type of building. It serves to house not only the dairy herd but the horses as well. In building this barn, however, it is important to install the right kind of equipment and use the best materials. Extra expense at the start will save money in the long run. Many farmers make the mistake of building a cheap structure without realizing that it will not last any length of time, and will be a continual source of trouble and expense as long as he has it on his farm. The farm barn should be carefully planned on paper before it is built and all possible angles considered carefully. Then when it is built it will be a source of pride and real satisfaction to the owner, and a wonderful asset in

the rear of each row. As in the case of the main aisle in the center, these litter alleys are also equipped with carrier tracks and litter carriers which carry the manure and litter directly from the stalls to the manure pit. All stalls are divided by steel partitions and fitted with sanitary stanchions and drinking cups. These features are important and should not be overlooked by the farmer. A steady water supply, such as is furnished by individual drinking cups helps to increase the milk supply and also eliminates the work of driving the cows to a trough. All along the stall floor are high double hung windows insuring plenty of daylight to make the stalls as cheerful as possible. Fresh air inlets in the cow barn, as in the horse section, provide plenty of fresh air at all times. Foul air shafts draw off the poisonous gases which are liable to settle near the floor. At one end of the cow barn are two pens for cows and bulls. Although giving an impression of bigness this building is not unusually large, its dimensions being 94 by 32 feet.

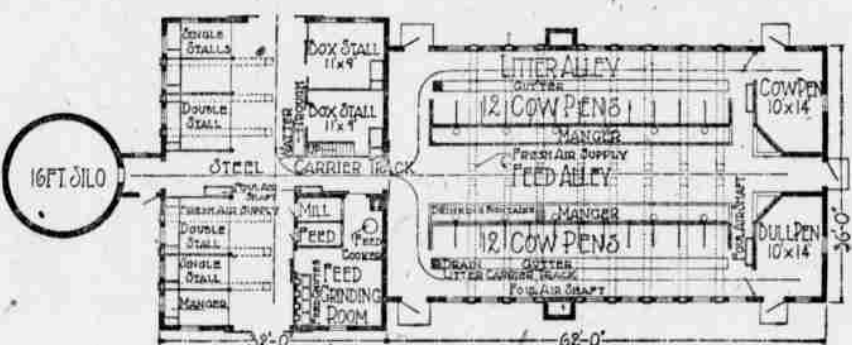
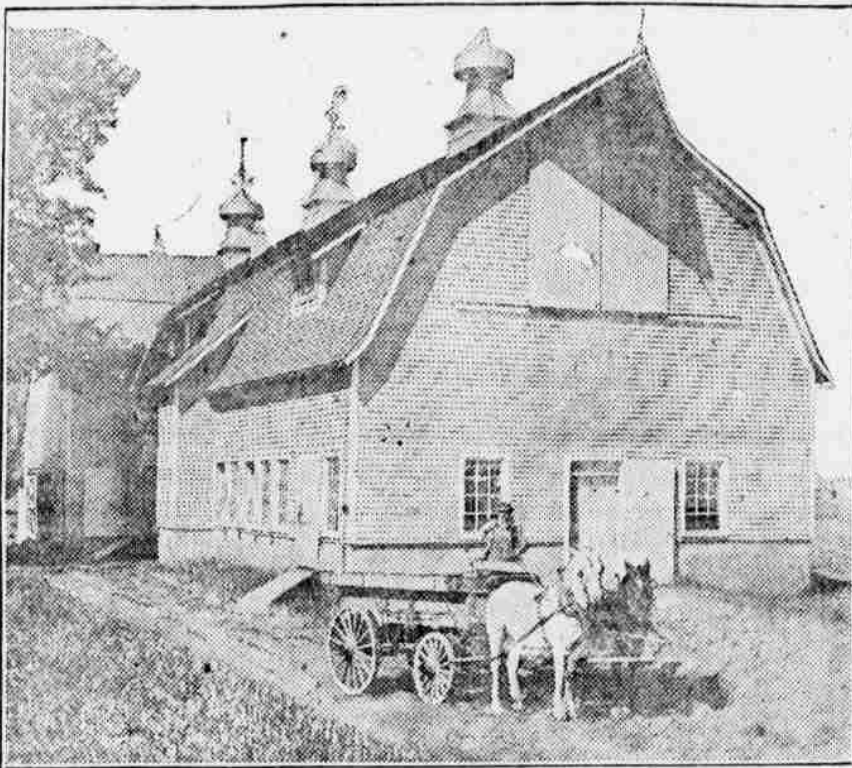
The building is of plank frame construction, which gives a high, roomy hay mow free from posts and other obstructions. It is a barn that can be used with advantage by all small farmers.

## MUST HAVE HAPPY ENDINGS

Playgoers Will Not Stand for Dramas  
That Finish in an Atmosphere  
of Gloom.

A popular novel had been dramatized and all the critics declared that, while dramatic art had not been transgressed and all the scenes were as true to life as in the novel, something was lacking. It was soon discovered what was the matter. The story ended unhappily. What one may like in literature, one doesn't in drama.

So the third act was rewritten and a joyous climax substituted. The effect was instantaneous. "The reception of the play," we learn, "was electric. Those who were seeing it for the first time were thrilled with this great exposition of American life."



more ways than one. It will mean a great saving in labor, relief from drudgery, and increased production from the animals.

When the barn shown here was planned all these things were taken into consideration. First the actual construction was studied. It was decided that a frame structure on a substantial concrete foundation would make a very practical and attractive exterior. The roof is gambrel shaped, and large ventilators have been installed to draw off the foul air. Incidentally it is well to mention need of lightning protection. Ninety-nine per cent of the fires on the farm have been caused by lightning and the lightning rod has been found an effective preventive.

This building is built T-shaped, with the horse stalls in the cross wing and the cow stalls in the long section. These two sections are separated by a solid wall, an arrangement required by health departments in some states. In the horse section there are two double stalls, two single stalls and two box stalls. Fresh air intakes at regular intervals along the wall just above the stalls insure a continuous supply of fresh, invigorating air. The stall partitions are of the latest steel type and the floor is concrete. Just beyond the horse barn is a 16-foot silo connected with both wings of the barn by a carrier system.

The other part of the wing containing the horse stalls is divided into feed rooms where the feed is stored and prepared for all of the animals. This feed is loaded on to the feed carrier, which runs on a carrier track in the center aisle and carries without any trouble to the far corner of the barn.

There is room for 24 cows in the other section of the building. These stalls are arranged in two rows facing each other, with litter alleys in

Those who had seen it in its first form marveled at the quickening of the place.

And yet the cognoscenti agreed with one voice that the story which closed in unhappiness was the truer art, with its logical and inevitable finale. Nevertheless, one of the noted critics who came to the revised performance said: "I'll have to admit that I'm lowbrow. I like the accepted, tried forms better."

So that's the difference between the drama and the novel. "Tess of the d'Urbervilles" goes out in gloom, but what a weak thing if Tess and Angel Claire had "lived happy ever after."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

## Mars Must Be Satisfied.

According to a recent computation, Austria devotes only a little more than 3 per cent of the total budget to the support of its military forces. More than 19 per cent of the total public expenditures of France, and 12½ per cent of those of Great Britain are for the army. Czechoslovakia allots nearly 17 per cent of its revenues to the same purpose, and Jugoslavia more than 28 per cent. Hungary, Austria's next door neighbor, has assigned 22¼ per cent of its budget for military purposes.—The Living Age.

## Railroad's Wear and Tear.

Some idea of the wear and tear on a railroad system is given in a report by the Pennsylvania railroad of the sale, during a single year, of twenty-two thousand tons of scrap iron and steel collected from the southwestern region of its lines. This represents only a fraction of its worn-out iron and steel equipment, since a great quantity is salvaged for further use in some capacity, other than that for which it was originally designed.—Omaha World-Herald.

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## Johnson School Notes

(Deferred)

The Home Economics Department gave a very successful Cafeterid supper Thursday night.

The people who attended the Girls' Conference at Brattleboro report a wonderful time. Eleven girls accompanied by Miss Sullivan attended.

The Base Ball team won from Bakersfield recently 11-7; Wednesday they won from Enosburg 9 to 4 and lost to Orleans at home, on Saturday, 6 to 1.

The town Spelling contest will be held June 1. The best speller from the 7th, 8th and 9th grades and the best of the 3rd and 4th grades from each school will compete. The winners will enter the county contest June 17 at Hyde Park. Here the winners will be picked for the State Contest.

The Honor list for April contains the following names.

"E" in all subjects, Freda Hebb, Theodore Stearns, and Ruth Stiles;  
"E" in all except one, Gertrude Bennett Katherine Collins, Warren Dodge, Marian Fordyce, Anna Hutchins, Mary Macomber.

"S" or above in all subjects, Florence Barrows, Irene Burleson, Lillian Burleson, Lorraine Chapman, Evelyn Collins, Beth Davis, Heneritta Emery, Phillip French, Doris Notemeyer, Greydon Sargent, Russell Sinclair, Wilma Stearns, Irene Sweet and Marion Whiting.

"S" or above in all except one, Bessie Archambault, Dorothy Collins, Nina Davis, Dorothy Dodge, Glenna Hale, Donald Manley, Helen Mudgett, Bernice Macomber, Mary Nye, Morgan Potter, Georgia Scott, Arthur Shene, Burleigh Smalley, Mildred Stinton and Clara Stiles.

## GREEN DUCKS IN BIG DEMAND

Vast Market Waiting to Be Developed for Fowls Throughout Most of the Country.

There is a vast market for "green ducks" waiting to be developed throughout most of the country and the man or woman who takes the trouble to develop it need not fear being unable to sell all that can be produced.

## Antarctic El Dorado.

That gold will be discovered in the antarctic is now predicted. Coal is present and the Mawson expedition found molybdenite worth \$2,500 per ton. Strong indications of copper, in the form of green carbonates, were also found.

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POULTRY

## WIRE FOR FENCING POULTRY

Two-inch Mesh Is Most Commonly Used and Can Be Purchased at Moderate Price.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Wire netting, two-inch mesh, is commonly used for fencing poultry yards and can be bought at a moderate price. Where several runs are adjoining, three-fourths of an inch or one-inch mesh wire should be used at the bottom to a height of two to two and one-half feet to keep the males from fighting one another.

The height of the fences should be regulated by the variety of fowls. The heaviest breeds, like the Brahmas, may be restrained by a four-foot fence, and

When the yards are to be on only one side of the house, they should be on the south side in order that the fowls may have the benefit of the first dry ground in early spring. It not infrequently happens that in localities where snow is abundant the ground on the south side is dry many days before that on the north side.

If the yards are to be in permanent sod and are to furnish green feed for the fowls, 70 to 80 square feet should be allowed for each bird. Poultry specialists in the United States Department of Agriculture say. If part of the green feed is to be otherwise provided for, and the yards used mainly for exercise grounds, 35 to 40 square feet per bird will be sufficient.

Shade of some kind should be provided, and this can often be advantageously furnished by planting fruit trees (such as pears, plums, cherries, and apples) in the yard.

## GRIT SUPPLY IS ESSENTIAL

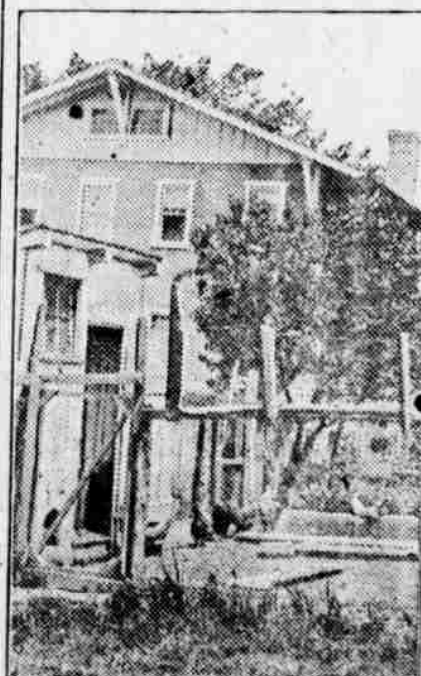
Material Takes Place of Teeth in Preparing Fowl's Food for Further Digestion.

Grit is essential to the health of fowls and to economy in feeding. Grit takes the place of teeth in preparing the feed for further digestion and is required for the proper preparation of feed in the gizzard. When the feed is not properly taken care of in this organ, an undue strain is thrown on the fowl's system, often resulting in disease and also allowing much of the nutriment to pass through the bird's body without being absorbed. In every pen or yard a box of grit should be kept. Recent investigators have asserted that grit is a part of the necessary feed of a flock, giving the fowls strong bones and a bright plumage.

Ordinarily, the hen does not consume enough lime to form the shells of eggs, if she is laying abundantly, unless something besides the ordinary grain feeds is accessible to her. Oyster shells are very good for this purpose. A box of crushed shells may be placed before the fowls, allowing them to eat at will. Old mortar and fine gravel are also useful in supplying lime, say poultry specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Charcoal readily absorbs gases, impurities, and acids, and thus acts as a corrective when the stomach is sour and digestion has been impaired.

A lazy liver leads to chronic dyspepsia and constipation,—weakens the whole system. Doan's Regulents (30c per box) act mildly on the liver and bowels. At all drug stores,—advertisement.



Variety of Fowls Should Regulate Height of Fence.

most of the other breeds can be kept in by a six-foot fence. Hamburgs and Leghorns may be kept in the yards by clipping the flight feathers on one wing. Gates should be provided in order to permit access from one yard to the next.

If convenient, it is well to have double yards, for then one may rotate green crops. The yards may be sown to oats, wheat, or rye, and while the fowls are using one yard the green feed in the other can be getting a fresh start.